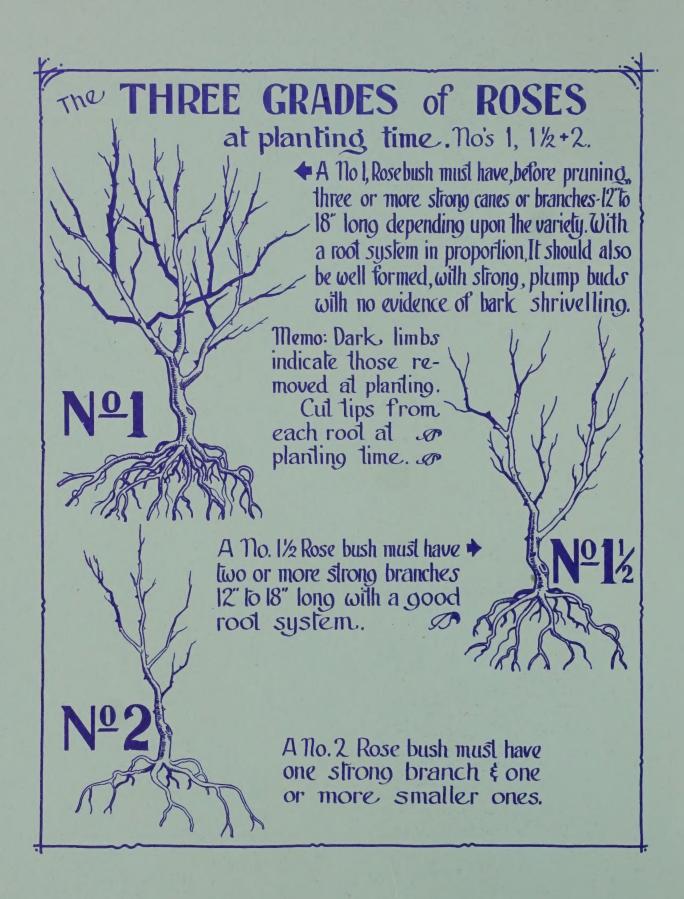
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# Greetings

This Catalog of Roses offered to you for the Season 1948-49 contains the very best assortment of varieties, old and new, that we know personally, and sincerely believe to be reliable and consistant.

We have never "gilded the lily" in our descriptions, but share with you the observations we have made of plants growing in our Test Gardens, in the nursery fields and in the gardens of our customers.

We have made a study of growth requirements throughout Northern California, and will gladly help you with selections for your locality. Our test-garden is being maintained and watched carefully, so that you may join with us in observing the behavior of all varieties in this area, especially the new introductions. Do drop in occasionally during the flowering season. There will always be something interesting to see.

The ideal planting time is, of course, when the rose is as nearly dormant as possible, and that is during December, January, February and the early part of March. However, we will have roses growing and flowering in containers, which can be successfully planted in the garden during the spring and summer months. These will be priced slightly higher to cover the cost of canning.

"A Gift that Grows — A Crombie Rose"

is always in good taste to remember CHRISTMAS MOTHERS' DAY EASTER BIRTHDAYS

Give a Rose Gift Order

# Read Carefully When Ordering

Roses can be successfully sent by parcel post or express during the dormant season (December to March). Shipping and packing costs prohibit sending plants in containers, during the growing season.

Out of town orders of \$10.00 or more will be packed and shipped free of charge. On orders less than \$10.00 please add 10% to cover the cost of packing and mailing.

We will gladly hold orders, and ship at the proper time to those

living in cold climates.

We do not ship our roses C.O.D.

Kindly mail remittance with order. Within California, 3% Sales Tax must be added.

Orders booked in advance will receive priority, in varieties that are scarce. If you have a second choice, please give us permission to substitute.

Note—Our nursery is certified by the California State Agricultural Dept. as free from all pests and diseases. This allows us to ship under "Pinto tag" (inspection-free) privileges into many Northern California counties. This assures prompt delivery.

# Guarantee

Our roses are all No. 1 grade, unless otherwise designated. We guarantee them to be true to name, alive and healthy. If a rose does not start to grow within 60 days after purchase, please notify us.

# Prices

#### Quantity Rates

Deduct 10% for 12 Roses or more.
Patented Varieties

3—	2.00 Roses of same variety	5.00
	1.50 Roses of same variety.	3.75

Why not join the American Rose Society? We will be glad to send in your application.

#### THREE YEAR OLD ROSE BUSHES

With pride and a sense of having accomplished something worth while, we offer a beautiful assortment of the very best varieties one year older than regular stock. These plants are in containers and will produce an abundance of bloom, making an immediate garden effect.

Priced from \$1.50 to \$3.00—local delivery only

# Special Collections

CROMBIE FAVORITE 10 \$12.00					
Christopher Stone 1.25					
Charlotte Armstrong 1.					
Etoile De Hollande					
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Chris Stone	1.25	California1.50			
Mrs. Sam McGredy		Crimson Glory1.50			
Mrs. P. S. Dupont		Eclipse			
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#### ANGELS MATEU (1934)

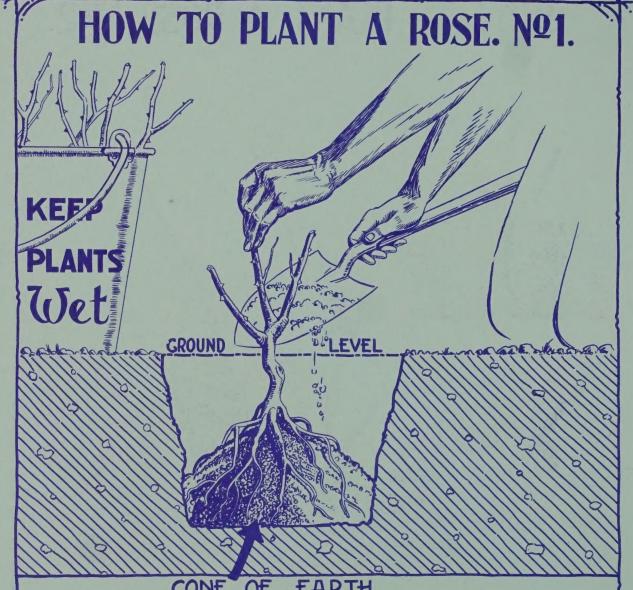
A truly luscious color, a sort of coral, flushed with old rose. There are fifty petals of perfect form, with a fragrance of ripe blackberries. The open bloom seems to us to be even lovelier than the beautiful bud, and each day the colors deepen.

#### **AUTUMN** (1928)

Think of an autumn sky—all orange and gold and carmine pink. There you have the shadings of the Autumn rose. Strong upright growth with clean and shining foliage. It will mildew, however, if neg-

#### **BEST REGARDS** (1944)

Huge brilliant blooms of cardinal red,



#### CONE OF EARTH

Hole of ample width and depth to co accomodate roots without twisting or bending. Bottom of hole must be loose and a rich soil mixture. Addition of a small amount of fertilizer or bone-meal ( or both.) thoroughly mixed in the cone-shaped bottom.

#### BETTY PRIOR (1938)

In early spring the single blossoms on this lovely floribunda are very much like the flowers of a red dog-wood. Produced

#### **BRANDYWINE** (1943)

Beautifully formed amber-yellow blooms, with long slender buds which open slowly. In cool weather there is an attractive

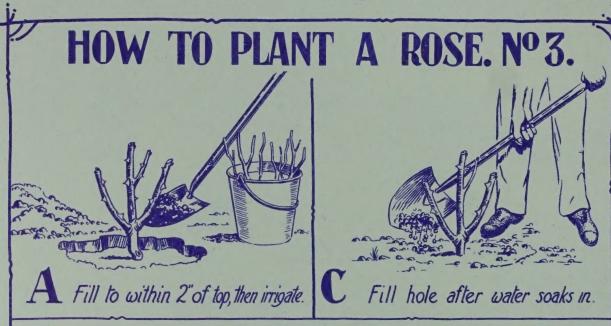


#### BUTTERSCOTCH

An unusual color combination, with the outside of the petals a soft pale orange-yellow, the inside, a lemon-chrome, changing to orange-buff. The originators

#### CALIFORNIA (1940)

This lovely novelty has the deep ruddy orange and yellow tones of a California poppy. When it is in flower in our test



Water thoroughly, allow water to penetrate then fill to level and leave surface soil loose. Water once a week for first month.



garden, nearly everyone who comes in says, "Oh, I must have that one." There is an irridescent sheen to the petals, and the rose-pink of the reverse petals give the rose a dual tone that is unusual and beautiful.

Patent No. 449. Each \$1.50

#### CALIFORNIA CENTENNIAL (1948)

A new velvety crimson rose, with an intense fragrance is making her debut to celebrate California's birthday. The rose is vigorous and upright in growth, sending out very long canes well clothed in copper-green foliage. The originators say that California Centennial "gives a wealth of beautiful roses throughout the whole season." Pat. rights res. Each......\$2.00

#### **CECILE BRUNNER** (1926)

#### CHARLOTTE ARMSTRONG (1940)

This is the only rose that won the All American Award in 1941. The Armstrong Nurseries of Ontario had been trying to develop a rose worthy of the name of the mother of the household, and when this lovely bloom of carmine and cerise opened, it was decided "Here is the one". Long slender buds, opening to large spectrum-red blooms make this an ideal cutting rose. Reports from cold climates assure us that it is especially hardy and disease resistant. It has been awarded so many medals since its introduction that we feel sure that you will wish to have at least one in your garden.

#### **CHATTER** (1947)

A new floribunda which promises to become very popular. It produces a double medium sized cupped bloom of carmine red, growing in immense clusters. It is of bushy and compact growth, especially good as a hedge or border plant. Each \$1.50

#### CHRISTOPHER STONE (1935)

There are several good new red roses and this one is popular wherever roses are known. It has perfect form, scarlet

#### COLLETTE CLEMENT (1931)

#### CRIMSON GLORY (1935)

Truly crimson and truly glorious. Tops the list, in every state in the U.S.A. in the poll taken by the American Rose Society, as the best red rose. It is rather a low and spreading bush, producing an abundance of fragrant blooms, deep, dark, and velvety.

#### CRIMSON ROSETTE

Clusters of tiny perfectly formed red blooms of startling brilliance. They are a highly satisfactory cut flower as they last for days in the house. They have a tendency to burn in the hot sun, but if cut in the bud, open slowly indoors. The foliage is clean and healthy. The plant is vigorous and free blooming. Each. \$1.50

#### CROWN OF GOLD

A very vigorous, upright plant, with large double deep golden blooms. The buds are long and slim and excellent for cutting. Related to Joanna Hill which has been popular for 20 years, and seems to have all of her good points. Each...\$1.50

#### CYNTHIA BROOKE (1942)

Buff yellow, very large and beautiful blooms. Buds are a sort of salmon-orange, and the open blooms occasionally have an orange facing. Flower-arrangement people like this rose for floating. Foliage is exceptionally large and clean. Disease resistant.

#### DAINTY BESS (1925)

This charming single rose, with its five perfect petals of apple-blossom pink and red stamens has done more to win over the ones who still say "I don't like a single rose." We used to hear that remark much more often, as an arrangement of Dainty Bess is really irresistible. Whether in the bush or in the climbing form, this rose is best of all, in its class. Each \$1.25

#### DEBONAIR (1946)

#### **DIAMOND JUBILEE** (1947)

All America winner for 1948. Large ovoid buff-yellow bloom with a delightful fragrance. Vigorous growth. Resistant to disease. Patent applied for. Each.....\$2.00

#### DICKSON'S RED (1938)

This is the favorite red rose of many rose lovers. Its warmth of color combined with a rich fragrance make it a "must have" for the connoisseur. During the summer months this was one of the showiest roses in our test garden.

#### **DONALD PRIOR** (1938)

Rich cherry-red floribunda. There are eight petals and the blooms are about 4 inches across. Semi-double, fragrant. Strong stem. Dark leathery foliage. Very vigorous.

#### DR. KIRK (1940)

#### **DUQUESA DE PENARANDA** (1931)

A really glorious rose, whether in the bud or open flower. The long slim buds are a brilliant orange shade, and open 

#### **ECLIPSE** (1936)

In the bud stage there is no more spectacular garden rose. The long streamlines, combined with the pure shade of yellow, makes this rose seem quite as perfect as a greenhouse specimen. When the flower opens, however, it has only about 20 petals, and rather a loose consistency, but it does have an abundance of bloom.

#### **ELLEN POULSEN** (1912)

A hybrid polyanthus, with very double fragrant bright cherry-pink clusters. Dark and glossy foliage. The plant grows to a height of about two feet, is compact and clean, and makes an excellent bedding or hedge rose. Almost constantly in bloom. Each \$1.25

#### ELSE POULSEN (1924)

Semi-double bright rose pink cluster rose. Glossy bronzy foliage. Vigorous and bushy. Very free flowering. Each....\$1.25

#### ETOILE DE HOLLANDE (1919)

We have been writing enthusiastic comments about this good red rose for so many years, that we wish this might be something different. But you probably know this Star of Holland almost as well as we do. And so many of you have told us that it is your best rose, that we unhesitatingly recommend that every garden should have at least one of them. Whether in bush, climbing or tree form, it is an outstanding addition to your garden's beauty. Just in case you are a real beginner it is a deep bright red, unfading, fragrant, free flowering, excellent as a cut flower, and a joy in the garden. Each \$1.25

#### **FANTASIA**

This is a Dickson origination, a hybrid Tea rose with all the profuse blooming characteristics of a Floribunda. Bright golden yellow buds, profusely borne in clusters on long strong stems, open to exquisite blooms of creamy yellow, with

a silver sheen. Fragrant. Hardy, disease resistant.

#### FLORADORA (1943)

A most unusual color, difficult to describe. It is sometimes called "cinnebar-red" but to us it looks more like orange-scarlet. It is a striking shade which attracts a lot of attention, whether in the garden or cut for the house. It does well in the "fog belt", and is a joy in the hot valleys where it flowers away all summer long, and lasts for days when cut. The faded flowers are unsightly, but if kept cut, the plant is truly beautiful. Probably the most popular floribunda. Each.........................\$1.50

#### FRAU KARL DRUSCHKI (1901)

Originally known as Snow Queen and now sometimes called the White American Beauty. This is one of the few old time Hybrid Perpetuals left in commerce. It grows to be a huge plant and should have plenty of room. Is an excellent flowering shrub, planted elsewhere than in the rose garden, if you desire. Buds are occasionally streaked with pink, but the open bloom is the purest white imaginable. Heavy blooming in the spring with occasional flowers all season. Each. \$1.00

#### FRED EDMUNDS (1943)

This fine rosarian from Portland, Oregon, may well be pleased with this beautiful new rose which bears his name. Brilliant orange buds open to a sort of burnt copper bloom, attracting surprised attention wherever it is grown. The foliage is shining and clean. There is much enthusiastic comment from all over the U.S.A. in the Rose Annual. The only adverse comment is that the plant does not grow tall enough. It is especially beautiful when grown as a Tree Rose.

Patent No. Each \$1.50

#### **GIRONA** (1939)

#### **GOLDEN HARVEST** (1943)

Clear golden-yellow buds open to shapely blooms which hold their color well. This flower attracted enthusiastic comment at our display in the Oakland Spring Garden Show. We have been interested to discover that it holds its color well, even in the hot months.

#### **GOLDEN RAPTURE** (1934)

#### **GOLDILOCKS**

A delightful new golden-yellow Floribunda. The rich butter-yellow buds open to 45 firm petals at least three inches across. There is a wild rose fragrance delightful until the bloom is shattered. A spreading plant with glossy disease-resistant foliage. If you are not yet "sold" on Floribundas, we feel certain that Goldilocks will win you over. Do try at least one plant this year.

#### **GOOD NEWS** (1940)

Very large, exceptionally double, silvery pink bloom with an apricot glow. Long strong stems, abundant leathery foliage, vigorous, and free flowering. We have watched it with interest in our test garden and feel that it is one of the best of the new roses.

**GRANDE DUCHESS CHARLOTTE** (1942)

All American winner in 1942. Another striking colored rose, and we have never been pleased with a description of it. The bud has been called a chestnut shade, and the open bloom tomato-red, shaded geranium-red. That doesn't mean a thing to us, but we can't do a better one. At any rate it is a very beautiful rose and

attracts constant attention in our testgarden. Fine strong plant. Glossy foliage. Upright.

Patent No. Each \$1.50

#### HEART'S DESIRE (1941)

All-American award rose for 1942. A deep red, fragrant, shapely bloom, with fine strong stems. A vase of Heart's De-

sire fills an entire room with perfume. The climbing form of this rose is living up to its promises. Each...........\$1.50

#### HEINRICH WENDLAND (1930)

An old-timer which has retained its popularity through the years. Variable coloring, large double blooms of a sort of nasturtium-red with deep yellow reverse. Glossy foliage, with a bronze cast. Each \$1.00

#### HINRICH GAEDE (1931)

Now here is a rose with such a combination of brilliant colors that we find it well nigh impossible to describe. The general color effect might be called orange-scarlet or copper-orange, or even vermilion-copper. Does that help you any? We thought not, and are sorry, but you will just have to see a Hinrich Gaede and smell its honey sweet fragrance to know what we mean, when we say this is the best of the multi-colors. A triple-centered bloom with 47 petals. Each........................\$1.00

#### **IMPROVED LAFAYETTE** (1935)

A brilliant red cluster rose that adds gaiety and charm to any garden. Good as a hedge plant and especially desirable as a Standard or Tree rose. We enjoy the half-standards at the nursery, as they seem to give us a huge brilliant bouquet throughout the summer months. Each \$1.25

#### INNOCENCE (1921)

Usually described as a single rose, but it often has ten or eleven petals, 4 to 6 inches across. It is such a beautiful white bloom, with its blood-red stamens, tipped with golden anthers, that we like to compare it to an exquisite white butterfly, poised on shining foliage. When cut in the bud stage, it can be used very successfully in arrangements, as the buds open slowly and last for days. Each. \$1.25

#### **ISOBEL** (1916)

#### JOANNA HILL (1928)

One of the shapliest of buds opening to symmetrical blooms of light yellow with 

#### **I. OTTO THILOW** (1927)

We think this is probably the best pink rose of its type. It is truly pink, with no other shadings. The buds are long and slender, the open bloom is unfading. In either the bush or the climber. Thilow will give you continuous pleasure for many months of the year. Each......\$1.25

#### KAISERIN AUGUSTE VIKTORIA (K.A.V.) (1891)

When a rose stays at the top in popularity for nearly sixty years, it must be good. K.A.V. is a dependable rose, long buds, shapely blooms of soft lemon white. In many gardens this is the only white that is a satisfactory bloomer. Each.......\$1.00

#### KATHERINE T. MARSHALL (1943)

1944 All American. Coral-pink buds, suffused with yellow, open slowly to a warm glowing pink. Long, sturdy stems. Plant grows to a large spreading shrub, and is usually in flower. Fruity fragrance. The color is more intense and the texture better in the autumn months.

Patent No. 607. Each \$1.50

#### LOWELL THOMAS (1943)

#### LUCIA ZULOAGA

A constant prize-winner in local flower shows. Fifteen glorious petals of rich lacquer red with a sort of bronze overcast. Lovely long slim buds, shining foliage. Spreading habit of growth. Fragrance likened to that of fresh strawberries. Each. \$1.25

#### **LULU** (1919)

This dainty little lady is definitely "a man's rose". Exquisitely formed buds, long and slim, coral pink, fading to a soft apricot pink. For flower arrangement Lulu is a connoisseur's delight. And any man walks with a jauntier step with Lulu in his buttonhole. Each..........\$1.25

#### MARK SULLIVAN

Now, here is a Rose! We are agreed in our decision that this is the best multicolor, both in appearance and performance, of any of the new roses. Both at the Nursery in Oakland and in the San Joaquin Valley we have found Mark Sullivan to be the first to bloom, and is literally covered with gorgeous flowers all ranging in shades of deep yellow, rose-pink and cerise. There are deep veins on the petals, so that the full open bloom is quite as striking as the bud. There is seldom a time during the season that you cannot cut a bouquet of the lovely fragrant flowers. Glossy foliage. Sturdy, vigorous plant.

Patent No. 599. Each \$1.50

#### MARY MARGARET McBRIDE (1941)

This attractive rose of coral pink and gold tints bids fair to become as popular as the gracious lady for whom it was named. Large double, high-centered blooms. Long strong stems. Received the All America award for 1943. We have not found the plant to be a heavy bloomer, but the individual flowers are usually perfect in form.

Patent No. 537. Each \$1.50

#### McGREDY'S IVORY (1930)

Still called the "best white rose". White roses are a problem in Bay district gardens, but this Ivory beauty is worth a little extra care and attention, because it really can produce exquisite long slim buds, and many shapely open blooms. Each \$1.00

#### McGREDY'S YELLOW (1933)

Large soft yellow blooms, of perfect form and sweetly scented. The pure lemon tone without a trace of other color is especially attractive right through the season. Glossy clean foliage. Deep reddishgreen stems. Fine for cutting. Each..\$1.00

#### MME. CHIANG KAI SHEK (1944)

All America winner for 1944. One of the finest of the pale yellow roses. Long strong stems. Bushes are very tall and slender. The flowers have a delicate lemon scent. When well grown the bud and flower are of unusual size and perfect form. Fades to lemon white in open bloom.

#### MME. HENRI GUILLOT (1938)

We are surprised that it has been ten years since we first met this lovely "new" rose. It is so different in texture, form and coloring that it still seems to be "new". Large urn-shaped buds open to truly camellia-like blooms, of glowing tones of reddish-orange, rose and pink. Clean glossy foliage, quite resistant to mildew. Whether at the Bay or in the hot valley we have found this to be one of the best of all roses that we know.

#### MRS. E. P. THOM (1926)

Usually called the "yellowest yellow rose". Nicely shaped buds, with well formed open blooms. Unfading. Whether in bush or climbing form, Mrs. Thom is a very satisfactory rose to grow.

Each \$1.00

#### MRS. PIERRE S. DU PONT (1929)

For hot climates we unhesitatingly recommend this yellow rose to give you more blooms per plant than any rose in your garden. In the Bay area it is good, too, but seems especially suited to warmer areas. It stands like a huge golden bouquet in your garden. Very dense rich foliage. Flowers are not large, but each one is perfectly formed. Each.........\$1.25

#### MRS. SAM McGREDY (1929)

This is truly a "must have" in every rose garden. For years it has been at the top of the list of roses of its type. Long pointed buds of scarlet-orange, washed with copper and red. The open bloom is rich apricot, shaded with bronze. Very double. Long stems with few thorns. Reddish bronze foliage in the spring attracts much favorable attention. Low grower, of spreading habit, and flowers possess a sweet fragrance. Each.....\$1.25

#### NEW YORKER (1947)

A new velvety-scarlet that promises to be a fine addition to the few good red roses. It is a large open bloom, quite double, with a pleasant fruity fragrance. The plant is vigorous and bushy in growth. An abundance of bloom, which seemed quite unfading in the hot summer days. Each \$2.00

#### NOCTURNE (1947)

This is a very deep dark cardinal red, shading to deep crimson. The bud is long

and pointed, and opens to a semi-double cupped bloom. The foliage is dark and leathery, which is unusual in the deeper toned roses. The plant makes a vigorous growth, of bushy habit. It is free flowering. It was All American for 1948.

Patent No. 713. Each \$2.00

#### **OPHELIA** (1912)

As far back as we can remember roses, Ophelia has been known as the best of its type. Soft shell-pink, shading in hot sunshine to creamy white. Perfectly formed. Sweetly perfumed. No other rose can quite take the place of Ophelia. 

#### **PEACE** (1945)

An amazingly beautiful rose, but seldom photogenic. You have never seen a picture of Peace that does it justice. A fine long golden yellow bud opens to a pale yellow many petalled bloom with faint pink picotee edges. Gradually, day by day, this bloom opens to a huge alabaster white, which turns to a pure soft pink before it drops. The "Proof of the Pudding" in the American Rose Annual devotes three and a half pages to this glorious rose, with enthusiastic appreciation from all over the United States and British Columbia. The only disappointed comment is from one man, who wishes it were a red rose! It develops a perfect plant, tall, spreading, shining foliage, and quite resistant to pests and disease. The plants in our test garden are a continuous

#### **PICTURE** (1932)

The most perfectly formed of the mediumsized blooms. The color is a warm shade of pink, with a faint undertone of salmon, the general effect being cheerful and glowing. A sweet tea fragrance. Wellbalanced growth with one continuous burst of bloom after another, all through the season. There are several Picture Tree Roses in our test garden and they attract much favorable comment.

#### **PINK DAWN** (1935)

The longest, slimmest bud you ever saw. A warm shade of rose pink in the bud, opening to a soft shell-pink with occasional touches of apricot. Sweetly fragrant. Good stems for cutting. Each..\$1.00

#### PINK ROSETTE

A delightful tiny rose, many petalled, clear soft pink, flowering in clusters. A beautiful plant for bedding, but is especially desired by the flower arrangers, as it will last for days when cut. It produces a constant succession of blooms on vigorous plants. Deep green foliage.

Patent applied for. Each......\$1.50

#### **PINKIE** (1947)

Another perfectly formed little flower. It seems almost continuously in bloom. It is excellent as a border or bedding plant. Patent No. 712. Each \$1.50

#### PINOCCHIO (1942)

The buds are pointed, exquisite in form, salmon flushed gold at the base. The open bloom comes in great clusters, opening slowly to miniature Hybrid Teas, gradually changing to a clear, soft pink, with deeper flutings. Will last for days in the house, and seems never to be without blooms in the garden. Happy in any type of weather. Plant never more than about 24 inches high, bushy and makes a perfect hedge or base planting.

#### PRESIDENT HERBERT HOOVER (1930)

It is a little hard to imagine a rose planting without at least one Hoover rose. However, the plant does grow so large, and the stems are so long on each flower that we suggest that you plant it with that in mind. Huge buds of flaming scarlet and yellow, open to soft creamy pink with golden shadings. Sparse and sometimes unattractive foliage is Hoover's only fault. 

#### PRESIDENT PLUMECOCQ (1931)

Large double coppery-buff and deep salmon bloom. Fine strong stems. Fruity 

#### RAMON BACH (1937)

A truly wonderful rose! A new type of petalage gives this rose distinction, and it has attracted continuous attention in our test garden. Apricot-buff on reverse of petals and a touch of salmon-pink on the inside, which combine in a soft amber yellow, with a luminous glow. The open bloom has a fluted effect much like a cactus dahlia. Excellent for cutting. 

#### **RAPTURE** (1926)

The most beautiful and popular sport of Ophelia. The same lovely long bud, the same delicate form of bloom, the same delightful perfume, but a little more intense coloring. Deeper pink. Each...\$1.25

#### RED RIPPLES (1942)

Now here is another Floribunda that we should like to have you try. A clear joyous red that would make an intense color spot in any garden. Wavy petaled flowers come in great masses, opening a few at a time in the cluster, so that there seem to be constant bloom. Vigorous and healthy plants.

#### ROSENELFE (1937)

Floribunda. Clusters of very double blooms, LaFrance pink, on long strong stems. Vigorous plants with large leathery glossy foliage. Nearly ever-blooming. Delightful for flower arrangements.

#### **ROSETTE DELIZY** (1922)

An interesting small flower with an unusual color combination. The cadmium-yellow blooms have apricot reflexes and dark carmine outer petals. Vigorous healthy growth, with dark shining foliage. Each \$1.50

#### RUBIAYAT (1946)

A McGredy rose which won the All America award in 1947. Cerise red with rosy red reverse petals. Very large blooms on long strong stems. Tall and vigorous in growth. The bloom deepens as it opens, and is sweetly perfumed. Flowers freely.

#### SANTA ANITA (1940)

Large long pointed buds, opening to very double high-centered blooms of uniform soft silvery pink. Light green foliage, vigorous upright growth. Almost continuously in bloom.

Patent No. 539. Each \$1.50

#### SAN FERNANDO (1948)

#### SATURNIA (1936)

#### **SHOW GIRL** (1946)

In our test-garden Show Girl has attracted much favorable comment. The huge exhibition blooms of deep pink, on long strong stems follow the long slender buds which often are shaded carmine. The petals are of heavy texture, so that the bloom is long lasting. The big bushy plant seems always to be in flower.

#### **SIGNORA** (1934)

The finest rose of its type that we have ever seen. Tall, strong and robust, the plants stand out in our test garden, superior in growth to all the rest. Since April there has never been a time without bloom, and the autumn flowers are startling, in their vivid shades. It is a most intense combination of scarletorange and lighter shades of tangerine and cerise, and the many petaled flower is attractive from the bud stage until the open bloom drops its petals. Excellent for cutting.

Patent No. 201. Each \$1.50

#### SLEIGH BELLS (1948)

The originators say this is "At last a white rose that really grows, and blooms and blooms and blooms." We hope that it is as good as it seems to be, as white roses are a problem in this area. The large ovoid buds are borne singly on long strong stems, and open slowly to large 40 petal blooms. The foliage is good, and the rose is fragrant. All of which sounds as though we have a better white rose, at last.

Patent applied for. Each......\$2.00

#### SNOWBIRD (1936)

Our choice of all the white roses, and the one most easily grown, as it seems quite at home in any soil or climate. The buds are long and pointed, opening to a many petaled flat small to medium bloom. The plants are compact and bushy, making it unsurpassed for bedding. At the nursery we enjoy it planted against a wall, just

#### **SONATA** (1942)

The originators of this lovely rose say "Sonata is truly as beautiful as a symphonic melody". And it really is. Long slim buds of cochineal red open slowly to exquisite blooms of deep lively pink. Erect plant with long strong stems. Very free flowering. Stems long and strong and the buds are favorites with the flower-arrangers.

#### SUSAN LOUISE (1929)

#### SWEET SIXTEEN (1943)

Dainty pink with tints of rose and a dash of gold. Sweetly fragrant. Especially good in coastal regions. Plant tall and sturdy. Stems strong, making good cut flowers.

Patent No. 631. Each \$1.50

#### **TAFFETA** (1947)

Straw-yellow, shading to begonia pink. A large urn-shaped bud opening to a huge semi-double bloom. Vigorous plant with leathery foliage and upright habit of growth.

Patent No. 716. Each \$2.00

#### TALISMAN (1929)

You probably have at least one Talisman in your garden. We would suggest that you plant several Talisman bushes, or one Climbing Talisman, so that you may enjoy a bowl of these lovely flowers all season. It is difficult to describe the colors, as they vary, probably more than

#### TEXAS CENTENNIAL (1935)

This glorious rose is as big and fine and strong as President Hoover from which it sported. It has a much brighter color, in fact it is sometimes called the Red Hoover. In every other way, however, it is identical to the Hoover rose, than which there is no higher praise. There are bloodred tones in the fine red buds, toning to cerise red in the center of the flower. It is still a deep warm pink when it falls apart. Order yours early, as there never seem to be enough plants to supply the demand.

Patent No. 162. Each \$1.50

#### THE DOCTOR (1937)

A Howard & Smith rose, originated in Southern California, and actually living up to all that was promised for it. Very large buds, long and pointed, expand to simply enormous blooms in their fully developed stage. The color is an exquisite silvery pink, uniform in color, both in bud and open bloom. Intensely fragrant. Each \$1.25

#### VILLE DE PARIS (1926)

A clear sunflower yellow which holds its color well; 20 petals of pure golden tints with delicate Marechal Niel fragrance. The erect wiry canes are bronze colored, and decorated with crimson thorns. Disease-proof. Each...................................\$1.25

#### YOURS TRULY (1945)

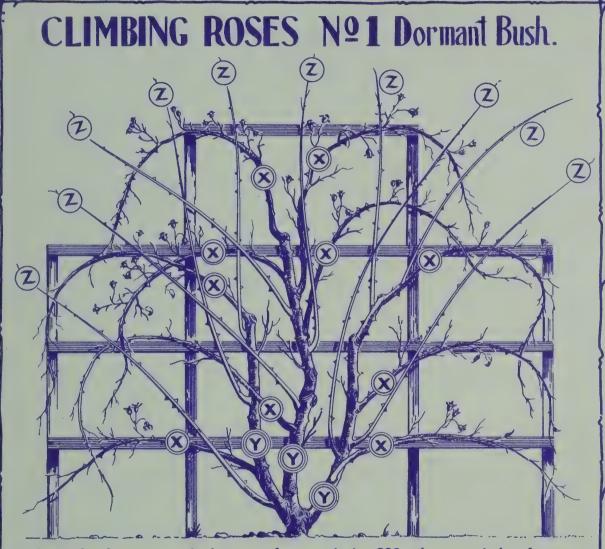
A glorious rose with huge camelliashaped blooms of pleasing non-fading deep pink. Damask fragrance. Tall upright plant making a great show in the garden. Excellent in hot climates, and thrives in the Bay area.

#### **FERTILIZING**

Roses are heavy "feeders". Barnyard manure in early spring, followed by frequent applications of commercial fertilizer during the summer, will produce lots of good flowers.

The many new and improved varieties of climbing roses should be of interest to all gardeners, especially those with limited space. See the sketches for new ideas that might add beauty to your garden.

Prices, all Climbing Roses, \$1.25, unless otherwise noted.



X=Old dormant branches Y= Main Limbs. Z=New branches.

X= Shows old flowering branches which should be removed when pruning Y= Shows main branches which are more or less the permanent structure of the plant Z= Shows new branches, the best flowering wood for next year.

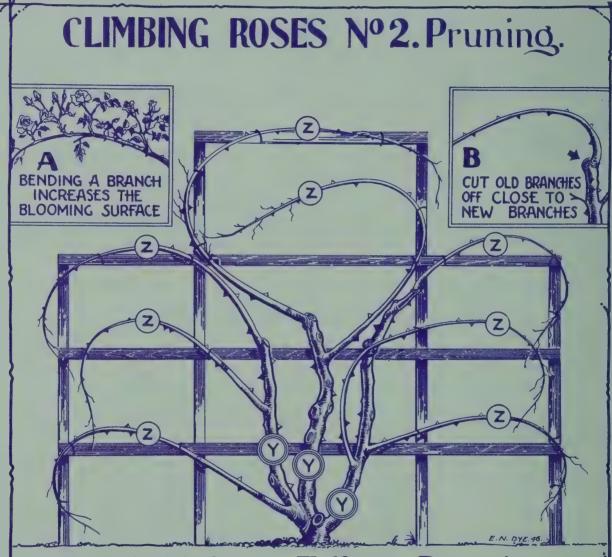
#### BELLE OF PORTUGAL

Soft pink, with a faint golden sheen. Wonderful long slender buds. Will grow 18 to 20 feet in a season, so never plant in a limited space. Does not flower the first year in the ground. It is a glorious sight in the early spring, but does not usually flower again.

#### CLG. CECILE BRUNNER

Tiny pink blooms, identical to the bush form. Very rampant. Very easy to grow.

#### CLG. CHRISTOPHER STONE



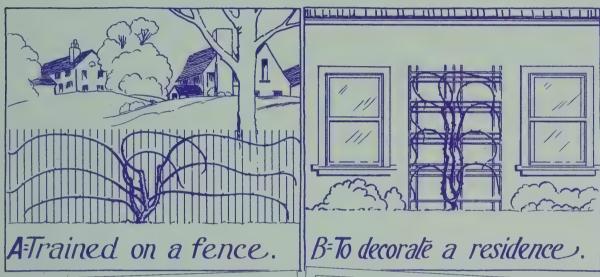
Y= Main Limbs. Z= New Branches.
Note how all old branches were removed.
A= Note bent branches - this encourages flowering.
B= Cut old branches close to joint.
Stanting limb cuts heat quickly. 
Z= New branches are bent and tied at regular intervals with space left for new blooms.

#### CLG. CITY OF YORK (1945)

#### CLG. GOLDEN EMBLEM (1927)

This glorious form of the popular bush

# CLIMBING ROSES 193. Trellising.







A=Fences=Not all Climbing Roses make good fence covering. Short jointed varieties with ample foliage & medium to small flowers are best. B=On House Walls=Select clean healthy foliage varieties, with large flowers & recurrent blooming. Always bend branches to keep the growth from all going to the top. C=On Arches=Should be medium to slow growers. Prune severely. Do not allow to get top heavy or ragged. D=Many hybrid Tea Climbing Roses make ideal pillars.

#### CLG. DAINTY BESS

A lovelier sight is hard to imagine, than this exquisite single rose covering a wall or fence. Apple-blossom pink with bright red stamens. Very free flowering.

#### CLG. DR. J. H. NICOLAS

#### CLG. ETOILE DE HOLLANDE

Usually agreed to be the best red climber. Same gorgeous bloom as on the bush and quite as free flowering. Always scarce. Order yours early.

#### CLG. GOLDEN RAPTURE

The climbing form of this lovely longstemmed yellow rose is new but is fast becoming popular. It has almost perfect buds and open blooms, and is very free flowering.

#### CLG. HEART'S DESIRE (1946)

Vigorous climbing form of the bush and with identical blooms. Very fragrant, and an intense scarlet bloom that is very showy on a tall climber. Each........\$1.50

#### HIGH NOON (1947)

A clear shining yellow, with lovely buds and medium sized open blooms, growing on long strong almost thornless stems. It is not a rampant climber, but is at its best as a pillar rose. It is ideal for small trellises, arches and medium fences. In the spring High Noon becomes a gorgeous mass of bloom, and continues with a fine display of yellow flowers throughout the season. The originators suggest that High Noon is successfully grown only in mild climates. It was a Regional All American Winner for 1948 for the Pacific Coast and Southern States.

Patent No. 704. Each \$2.50

#### CLG. HINRICH GAEDE

#### CLG. HOOSIER BEAUTY

Probably the best known red climber. Identical to bush. Reliable red rose, free flowering.

#### CLG. J. OTTO THILOW

Rich glowing rose pink. Long buds of perfect form opening to large blooms, high-centered and double. We have a six-year plant growing on the fence at the Nursery, and it is a glorious sight in the spring and fall.

#### CLG. MME. HENRI GUILLOT

#### CLG. MRS. E. P. THOM

This pure yellow sport of the popular bush has proved to be very satisfactory planted on an arbor in our sales yard. The buds are long and slim; the open bloom holds its color well. Each.....\$1.25

#### CLG. MRS. SAM McGREDY

There could be no more beautiful climbing rose than this. The same glorious copper-orange-red combination as in the bush, the same reddish green foliage, and the same sweet fragrance. We can recommend this rose to you, and know that it will give you pleasure for years to come. Come see how it grows and flowers here at the Nursery.

#### CLG. PICTURE

Identical to the bush in form, color and fragrance. The most perfectly formed little pink buds, opening to rather large pure pink blooms, each............\$1.50

#### CLG. PRESIDENT HERBERT HOOVER

A very rampant climber, with flowers exactly the same as in the bush. It is an especially brilliant sight in the late autumn.

#### CLG. TALISMAN

Most gardens have at least one Climbing Talisman. If you have thought that you "have no place for a climber" look around again, and see if you can make a place for this lovely satisfactory rose. Multicolored, blooms with fine strong stems.

#### CLG. TEXAS CENTENNIAL

#### **EDNAH THOMAS**

A brilliantly toned rose pink. Large fragrant blooms. We have enjoyed it here at the Nursery for many years. Excellent as a cut flower.

#### IMPROVED PAUL'S SCARLET

The "improved" part means that this type of Paul's Scarlet will flower several times during the rose season. A cluster, with short stems, it is a glorious sight on a fence. Vivid scarlet, shaded bright crimson. For a spectacular blaze of color in the spring, we recommend this improved variety of an old favorite.

#### INDIAN SUMMER

The name suggests the color combination—copper, old rose, blush pink with some old gold. As nearly "everblooming" as a rose can be. Clean and shining foliage. Both in Oakland and in the San Joaquin Valley, we have found this to be one of the most satisfactory climbing roses.

#### MERMAID

Here is a rose that is really "different". Mermaid is an evergreen plant, with very vigorous growth. Soft sulphur yellow single blooms come in great clusters, opening slowly so that it is seldom out of bloom. The long golden stamens are attractive after the petals have fallen. An

excellent bank cover. We like it as a weeping standard. Prune lightly or not at all. Disease resistant.

#### MRS. PAUL J. HOWARD

Fine rich crimson blooms, sweetly fragrant, make this an especially beautiful climbing rose. The foliage is large, dark bronzy and leathery. The long stems make this good for cutting.

#### PAUL'S LEMON PILLAR

#### PHYLLIS BIDE

Small clusters of pink, shaded to white, with pale gold at the base. Very free flowering. Beautiful in a weeping standard, and very lovely as a pillar rose. Blooms again and again.

#### RUTH ALEXANDER

A stunning color combination of orange tints with deep rose shadings. Bright red stamens add to the beauty of the open bloom. Shining bronzy foliage. Very vigorous and disease resistant.

Patent No. 176. Each \$2.00

### SPANISH BEAUTY (Mme. Gregoire Staechelin)

For sheer exquisite beauty of color and form, this pink rose is unexcelled. Vigorous in growth, producing many large delicate pink blooms, shaded carmine, which keep opening all during the spring months. Long pointed buds, almost crimson, opening to pearl pink irridescent blooms with curled petals.

Our nursery and test garden is a "mecca" for color photography fans. Come try your luck when roses are in bloom.

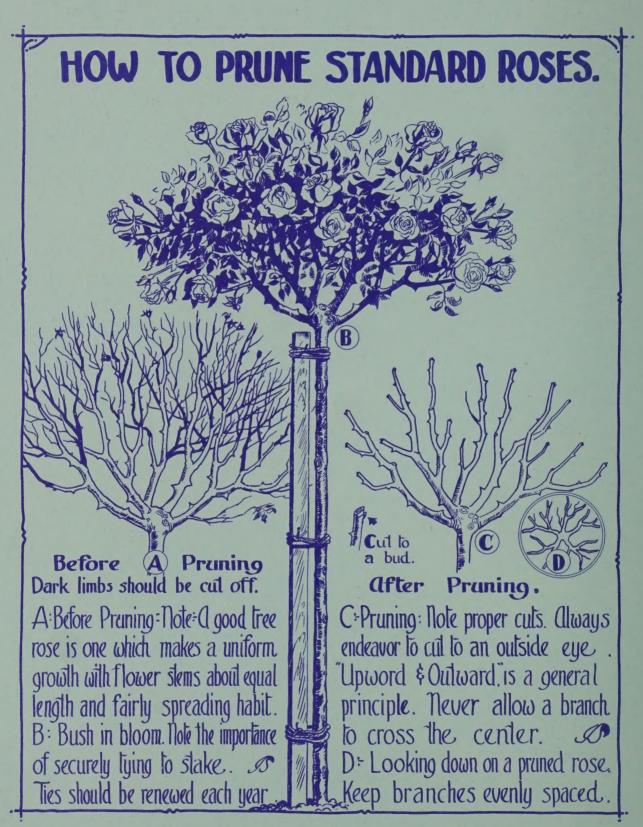
Our "Test Garden" will help you in making selections. Find a place for a good climber or two. They are always attractive and produce as many flowers as several bushes.

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Best Regards
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\*California Centennial
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Grand Duchesse Charlotte
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\*Nocturne
Red Talisman
\*San Fernando

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Eclipse
Golden Harvest
Golden Rapture
Lowell Thomas
McGredy's Yellow
Mrs. P. S. Dupont
\*Peace

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\*Applause
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Charlotte Armstrong
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Mme. Henri Guillot
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